

IC 31-9-2

Chapter 2. Definitions

IC 31-9-2-0.5

"Abandoned infant"

Sec. 0.5. (a) "Abandoned infant", for purposes of IC 31-34-21-5.6, means:

(1) a child who is less than twelve (12) months of age and whose parent, guardian, or custodian has knowingly or intentionally left the child in:

(A) an environment that endangers the child's life or health;
or

(B) a hospital or medical facility;
and has no reasonable plan to assume the care, custody, and control of the child; or

(2) a child who is, or who appears to be, not more than forty-five (45) days of age and whose parent:

(A) has knowingly or intentionally left the child with an emergency medical services provider; and

(B) did not express an intent to return for the child.

(b) "Abandoned infant", for purposes of IC 31-34-21-4 and IC 31-35-2-6.5, means a child who is, or who appears to be, not more than forty-five (45) days of age and whose parent:

(1) has knowingly or intentionally left the child with an emergency medical services provider; and

(2) did not express an intent to return for the child.

As added by P.L.35-1998, SEC.2. Amended by P.L.133-2000, SEC.1; P.L.217-2001, SEC.2.

IC 31-9-2-1

"Actual notice"

Sec. 1. "Actual notice", for purposes of IC 31-19-3, means written notice that is actually received by the putative father.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-2

"Adoptee"

Sec. 2. "Adoptee", for purposes of IC 31-19-17 through IC 31-19-24, means a person who has been legally adopted.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-3

"Adoption"

Sec. 3. "Adoption", for purposes of IC 31-19-17 through IC 31-19-24, means the judicial act of creating the relationship of parent and child where the relationship did not exist previously.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-4

"Adoption assistance state"

Sec. 4. "Adoption assistance state", for purposes of the Interstate Compact on Adoption Assistance under IC 31-19-29, has the meaning set forth in IC 31-19-29-2.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-5

"Adoption history"

Sec. 5. "Adoption history", for purposes of IC 31-19-17 through IC 31-19-24, means:

- (1) identifying information (as defined in section 54 of this chapter);
- (2) the medical history (as defined in section 78 of this chapter);
- and
- (3) nonidentifying information (as defined in section 84 of this chapter).

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-6

"Adoptive parent"

Sec. 6. "Adoptive parent", for purposes of IC 31-19-17 through IC 31-19-24, means an adult who has become a parent of a child through adoption.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-7

"Adult"

Sec. 7. (a) "Adult", for purposes of IC 31-19-17 through IC 31-19-24, means a person who is at least twenty-one (21) years of age.

(b) "Adult", for purposes of the juvenile law, means a person other than a child.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-8

"Advisory board"

Sec. 8. "Advisory board", for purposes of IC 31-31-9, refers to the juvenile detention center advisory board described in IC 31-31-9.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-9

"Alleged father"

Sec. 9. "Alleged father", for purposes of IC 31-14, means any man claiming to be or charged with being a child's biological father.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-10

"Birth parent"

Sec. 10. "Birth parent", for purposes of IC 31-19-17 through IC 31-19-24, means:

- (1) the woman who is legally presumed under Indiana law to be

the mother of biological origin of an adoptee;
(2) the man who is legally presumed under Indiana law to be the father of biological origin of an adoptee; or
(3) a man who establishes paternity of a child born out of wedlock:

(A) in a court proceeding; or

(B) by executing a paternity affidavit under IC 16-37-2-2.1.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1. Amended by P.L.197-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-11

"Caseworker"

Sec. 11. "Caseworker", for purposes of the juvenile law, means a child welfare worker of the county office of family and children.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-12

"Center"

Sec. 12. "Center", for purposes of IC 31-31-9, means any secure juvenile detention center that operates in a county containing a consolidated city except for a center operated by the federal government. The term includes a juvenile detention facility.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-13

"Child"

Sec. 13. (a) "Child", for purposes of IC 31-15, IC 31-16 (excluding IC 31-16-12.5), and IC 31-17, means a child or children of both parties to the marriage. The term includes the following:

(1) Children born out of wedlock to the parties.

(2) Children born or adopted during the marriage of the parties.

(b) "Child", for purposes of the Uniform Interstate Family Support Act under IC 31-18, has the meaning set forth in IC 31-18-1-2.

(c) "Child", for purposes of IC 31-19-5, includes an unborn child.

(d) "Child", for purposes of the juvenile law, means:

(1) a person who is less than eighteen (18) years of age;

(2) a person:

(A) who is eighteen (18), nineteen (19), or twenty (20) years of age; and

(B) who either:

(i) is charged with a delinquent act committed before the person's eighteenth birthday; or

(ii) has been adjudicated a child in need of services before the person's eighteenth birthday; or

(3) a person:

(A) who is alleged to have committed an act that would have been murder if committed by an adult; and

(B) who was less than eighteen (18) years of age at the time of the alleged act.

(e) "Child", for purposes of the Interstate Compact on Juveniles under IC 31-37-23-1, has the meaning set forth in IC 31-37-23-1.

(f) "Child", for purposes of IC 31-16-12.5, means an individual to whom child support is owed under:

- (1) a child support order issued under IC 31-14-10 or IC 31-16-6; or
- (2) any other child support order that is enforceable under IC 31-16-12.5.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1. Amended by P.L.27-2004, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-14

"Child abuse or neglect"

Sec. 14. (a) "Child abuse or neglect", for purposes of IC 31-32-11-1, IC 31-33, IC 31-34-7-4, and IC 31-39-8-4, refers to a child who is alleged to be a child in need of services as described in IC 31-34-1-1 through IC 31-34-1-5.

(b) The term does not include a child who is alleged to be a child in need of services if the child is alleged to be a victim of a sexual offense under IC 35-42-4-3 unless the alleged offense under IC 35-42-4-3 involves the fondling or touching of the buttocks, genitals, or female breasts.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-15

"Child born in wedlock"

Sec. 15. "Child born in wedlock", for purposes of IC 31-19-9, means a child born to:

- (1) a woman; and
- (2) a man who is presumed to be the child's father under IC 31-14-7-1(1) or IC 31-14-7-1(2) unless the presumption is rebutted.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-16

"Child born out of wedlock"

Sec. 16. "Child born out of wedlock", for purposes of IC 31-19-3, IC 31-19-4-4, and IC 31-19-9, means a child who is born to:

- (1) a woman; and
- (2) a man who is not presumed to be the child's father under IC 31-14-7-1(1) or IC 31-14-7-1(2).

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-16.5

"Child care provider"

Sec. 16.5. "Child care provider", for purposes of IC 31-33-17, has the meaning set forth in IC 31-33-17-0.5.

As added by P.L.36-2001, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-17

"Child in need of services"

Sec. 17. "Child in need of services", for purposes of IC 31-34, means a child described in IC 31-34-1.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-18

"Child support guidelines"

Sec. 18. "Child support guidelines", for purposes of IC 31-14-11-8 and IC 31-16-8-1, refers to the guidelines adopted by the Indiana supreme court.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-19

"Child support order"

Sec. 19. "Child support order", for purposes of the Uniform Interstate Family Support Act under IC 31-18, has the meaning set forth in IC 31-18-1-3.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-20

"Child with a disability"

Sec. 20. "Child with a disability", for purposes of IC 31-34-1-9, means an individual who:

- (1) is less than eighteen (18) years of age; and
- (2) has a disability (as defined in IC 22-9-1-3(r)).

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-21

"Committee"

Sec. 21. "Committee", for purposes of IC 31-38, refers to a local coordinating committee established by IC 31-38.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-22

"Compact"

Sec. 22. "Compact", for purposes of IC 31-37-23, has the meaning set forth in IC 31-37-23-2.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-23

"Contestant"

Sec. 23. "Contestant", for purposes of the Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction Law under IC 31-17-3, has the meaning set forth in IC 31-17-3-2.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-24

"Controlled substance"

Sec. 24. "Controlled substance", for purposes of the juvenile law, has the meaning set forth in IC 35-48-1.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-25

"Council"

Sec. 25. "Council", for purposes of IC 31-31-9, refers to the city-county council of the consolidated city within the county.
As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-26

"County office"

Sec. 26. "County office", for purposes of the juvenile law, refers to a county office of family and children.
As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-27

"Court"

Sec. 27. (a) "Court", for purposes of IC 31-15, IC 31-16, and IC 31-17, means the circuit, superior, or other courts of Indiana upon which jurisdiction to enter dissolution decrees has been or may be conferred.

(b) "Court", for purposes of IC 31-16-15, refers to the court having jurisdiction over child support orders.

(c) "Court", for purposes of IC 31-37-23, has the meaning set forth in IC 31-37-23-3.

(d) "Court", for purposes of the Interstate Compact on Juveniles under IC 31-37-23-1, has the meaning set forth in IC 31-37-23-1.
As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-28

"Court appointed special advocate"

Sec. 28. "Court appointed special advocate", for purposes of IC 31-15-6, IC 31-17-6, IC 31-19-16, IC 31-19-16.5, and the juvenile law, means a community volunteer who:

- (1) has completed a training program approved by the court;
- (2) has been appointed by a court to represent and protect the best interests of a child; and
- (3) may research, examine, advocate, facilitate, and monitor a child's situation.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1. Amended by P.L.196-1997, SEC.1; P.L.14-2000, SEC.63.

IC 31-9-2-29

"Crime"

Sec. 29. "Crime", for purposes of the juvenile law, means an offense for which an adult might be imprisoned or incarcerated if convicted under the law of the jurisdiction in which the offense is committed.
As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-29.5

"Crime involving domestic or family violence"

Sec. 29.5. "Crime involving domestic or family violence" means a crime that occurs when a family or household member commits,

attempts to commit, or conspires to commit any of the following against another family or household member:

- (1) A homicide offense under IC 35-42-1.
- (2) A battery offense under IC 35-42-2.
- (3) Kidnapping or confinement under IC 35-42-3.
- (4) A sex offense under IC 35-42-4.
- (5) Robbery under IC 35-42-5.
- (6) Arson or mischief under IC 35-43-1.
- (7) Burglary or trespass under IC 35-43-2.
- (8) Disorderly conduct under IC 35-45-1.
- (9) Intimidation or harassment under IC 35-45-2.
- (10) Voyeurism under IC 35-45-4.
- (11) Stalking under IC 35-45-10.
- (12) An offense against the family under IC 35-46-1-2 through IC 35-46-1-8, IC 35-46-1-12, or IC 35-46-1-15.1.

As added by P.L.133-2002, SEC.20.

IC 31-9-2-29.7

"Criminal history check"

Sec. 29.7. "Criminal history check", for purposes of IC 31-34 and IC 31-37, means a report consisting of:

- (1) criminal history data (as defined in IC 10-13-3-5);
- (2) each substantiated report of child abuse or neglect reported in a jurisdiction where the county office of family and children has reason to believe the subject resided; and
- (3) each adjudication for a delinquent act described in IC 31-37-1-2 reported in a jurisdiction where the county office of family and children has reason to believe the subject resided.

As added by P.L.70-2004, SEC.10.

IC 31-9-2-30

"Custodial parent"

Sec. 30. "Custodial parent", for purposes of IC 31-14-13-8, IC 31-14-15, IC 31-16-12.5, IC 31-17-2-22, and IC 31-17-4, means the parent who has been awarded physical custody of a child by a court.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1. Amended by P.L.27-2004, SEC.2.

IC 31-9-2-31

"Custodian"

Sec. 31. (a) "Custodian", for purposes of the juvenile law, means a person with whom a child resides.

(b) "Custodian", for purposes of IC 31-34-1-1 through IC 31-34-1-9, includes any person responsible for the child's welfare who is employed by a public or private residential school or foster care facility.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-32

"Custody decree" or "decree"

Sec. 32. "Custody decree" or "decree", for purposes of the Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction Law under IC 31-17-3, has the meaning set forth in IC 31-17-3-2.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-33

"Custody determination"

Sec. 33. "Custody determination", for purposes of the Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction Law under IC 31-17-3, has the meaning set forth in IC 31-17-3-2.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-34

"Custody proceeding"

Sec. 34. "Custody proceeding", for purposes of the Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction Law under IC 31-17-3, has the meaning set forth in IC 31-17-3-2.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-35

"Decree" or "custody decree"

Sec. 35. "Decree" or "custody decree", for purposes of the Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction Law under IC 31-17-3, has the meaning set forth in IC 31-17-3-2.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-35.5

"De facto custodian"

Sec. 35.5. "De facto custodian", for purposes of IC 31-14-13 and IC 31-17-2, means a person who has been the primary caregiver for, and financial support of, a child who has resided with the person for at least:

(1) six (6) months if the child is less than three (3) years of age;

or

(2) one (1) year if the child is at least three (3) years of age.

Any period after a child custody proceeding has been commenced may not be included in determining whether the child has resided with the person for the required minimum period. The term does not include a person providing care for a child in a foster family home (as defined in IC 12-7-2-90).

As added by P.L.96-1999, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-36

"Delinquent"

Sec. 36. (a) "Delinquent", for purposes of IC 31-16-15, refers to a situation in which an obligor is the equivalent of one (1) month in arrears in the payment of child support ordered by a court.

(b) "Delinquent", for purposes of IC 31-16-16, refers to a situation in which an obligor is in arrears in the payment of child support ordered by a court in Indiana or another state that has jurisdiction

over the support order.
As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-37

"Delinquent child"

Sec. 37. (a) "Delinquent child", for purposes of the juvenile law, except as provided in subsection (b), means:

- (1) a child described in IC 31-37-1-1; or
- (2) a child described in IC 31-37-2-1.

(b) "Delinquent child", for purposes of IC 31-37-23, has the meaning set forth in IC 31-37-23-4.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-38

"Delinquent juvenile"

Sec. 38. "Delinquent juvenile", for purposes of the Interstate Compact on Juveniles under IC 31-37-23-1, has the meaning set forth in IC 31-37-23-1.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-39

"Dependent child" or "neglected child"

Sec. 39. "Dependent child" or "neglected child", for purposes of IC 31-37-23, has the meaning set forth in IC 31-37-23-5.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-40

"Director"

Sec. 40. "Director", for purposes of IC 31-33, IC 31-34, and IC 31-37, refers to the director of the division of family and children.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1. Amended by P.L.55-1997, SEC.10.

IC 31-9-2-41

"Dissolution decree"

Sec. 41. "Dissolution decree", for purposes of IC 31-15, IC 31-16, and IC 31-17, means a judicial decree entered in a proceeding for the dissolution of marriage which:

- (1) has the effect of terminating the marriage and restoring the parties to the state of unmarried persons; and
- (2) may include those matters set forth in IC 31-15-2-16.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-41.2

"Division"

Sec. 41.2. "Division", for purposes of IC 31-40, means the division of family and children established by IC 12-13-1-1.

As added by P.L.273-1999, SEC.95.

IC 31-9-2-42

"Domestic or family violence"

Sec. 42. "Domestic or family violence" means, except for an act of self defense, the occurrence of one (1) or more of the following acts committed by a family or household member:

(1) Attempting to cause, threatening to cause, or causing physical harm to another family or household member without legal justification.

(2) Placing a family or household member in fear of physical harm without legal justification.

(3) Causing a family or household member to involuntarily engage in sexual activity by force, threat of force, or duress.

For purposes of IC 22-4-15-1 and IC 34-26-5, domestic or family violence also includes stalking (as defined in IC 35-45-10-1) or a sex offense under IC 35-42-4, whether or not the stalking or sex offense is committed by a family or household member.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1. Amended by P.L.133-2002, SEC.21; P.L.189-2003, SEC.9; P.L.221-2003, SEC.3; P.L.97-2004, SEC.104.

IC 31-9-2-43

"Duty of support"

Sec. 43. "Duty of support", for purposes of the Uniform Interstate Family Support Act under IC 31-18, has the meaning set forth in IC 31-18-1-4.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-43.5

"Emergency medical services provider"

Sec. 43.5. "Emergency medical services provider" has the meaning set forth in IC 16-41-10-1.

As added by P.L.133-2000, SEC.2.

IC 31-9-2-44

"Executive authority"

Sec. 44. "Executive authority", for purposes of IC 31-37-23, has the meaning set forth in IC 31-37-23-6.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-44.5

"Family or household member"

Sec. 44.5. (a) An individual is a "family or household member" of another person if the individual:

- (1) is a current or former spouse of the other person;
- (2) is dating or has dated the other person;
- (3) is engaged or was engaged in a sexual relationship with the other person;
- (4) is related by blood or adoption to the other person;
- (5) is or was related by marriage to the other person;
- (6) has or previously had an established legal relationship:
 - (A) as a guardian of the other person;
 - (B) as a ward of the other person;
 - (C) as a custodian of the other person;

(D) as a foster parent of the other person; or
(E) in a capacity with respect to the other person similar to those listed in clauses (A) through (D); or
(7) has a child in common with the other person.
(b) An individual is a "family or household member" of both persons to whom subsection (a)(1), (a)(2), (a)(3), (a)(4), (a)(5), (a)(6), or (a)(7) applies if the individual is a minor child of one (1) of the persons.
As added by P.L.133-2002, SEC.22. Amended by P.L.97-2004, SEC.105.

IC 31-9-2-45

"Family services"

Sec. 45. "Family services", for purposes of the juvenile law, means services provided to:

- (1) prevent a child from being removed from a parent, guardian, or custodian;
- (2) reunite the child with a parent, guardian, or custodian; or
- (3) implement a permanent plan of adoption, guardianship, or emancipation of a child.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-46

"Final separation"

Sec. 46. "Final separation", for purposes of IC 31-15-7, means the date of filing of the petition for dissolution of marriage under IC 31-15-2-4 (or IC 31-1-11.5-3 before its repeal). However, if:

- (1) a legal separation proceeding involving the parties was pending when the petition for dissolution of marriage under IC 31-15-2-4 (or IC 31-1-11.5-3 before its repeal) was filed; or
- (2) a provisional order or final decree for legal separation of the parties was in effect when the petition for dissolution of marriage under IC 31-15-2-4 (or IC 31-1-11.5-3 before its repeal) was filed;

the term means the date that the petition for legal separation was filed under IC 31-15-3-4 (or IC 31-1-11.5-3 before its repeal).

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-47

"Foster parent"

Sec. 47. "Foster parent", for purposes of the juvenile law, means an individual who provides care and supervision to a child in:

- (1) a foster family home (as defined in IC 12-7-2-90); or
- (2) a home approved as a foster family home under IC 12-17.4.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-48

"Governor"

Sec. 48. "Governor", for purposes of IC 31-18-8 in the Uniform Interstate Family Support Act, has the meaning set forth in

IC 31-18-8-1(a).

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-49

"Guardian"

Sec. 49. "Guardian", for purposes of the juvenile law, means a person appointed by a court to have the care and custody of a child or the child's estate, or both.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-50

"Guardian ad litem"

Sec. 50. "Guardian ad litem", for purposes of IC 31-15-6, IC 31-16-3, IC 31-19-16, IC 31-19-16.5, and the juvenile law, means an attorney, a volunteer, or an employee of a county program designated under IC 33-24-6-4 who is appointed by a court to:

- (1) represent and protect the best interests of a child; and
 - (2) provide the child with services requested by the court, including:
 - (A) researching;
 - (B) examining;
 - (C) advocating;
 - (D) facilitating; and
 - (E) monitoring;
- the child's situation.

A guardian ad litem who is not an attorney must complete the same court approved training program that is required for a court appointed special advocate under section 28 of this chapter.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1. Amended by P.L.196-1997, SEC.2; P.L.2-1998, SEC.72; P.L.98-2004, SEC.101.

IC 31-9-2-51

"Hard to place child" or "hard to place children"

Sec. 51. "Hard to place child" or "hard to place children", for purposes of IC 31-19, means a child who is or children who are disadvantaged:

- (1) because of:
 - (A) ethnic background;
 - (B) race;
 - (C) color;
 - (D) language;
 - (E) physical, mental, or medical disability; or
 - (F) age; or
- (2) because the child or children are members of a sibling group that should be placed in the same home.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1. Amended by P.L.200-1999, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-52

"Health care provider"

Sec. 52. "Health care provider", for purposes of IC 31-32-11-1,

IC 31-33, IC 31-34-7-4, and IC 31-39-8-4, means any of the following:

- (1) A licensed physician, intern, or resident.
- (2) An osteopath.
- (3) A chiropractor.
- (4) A dentist.
- (5) A podiatrist.
- (6) A registered nurse or other licensed nurse.
- (7) A mental health professional.
- (8) A paramedic or an emergency medical technician.
- (9) A social worker, an x-ray technician, or a laboratory technician employed by a hospital.
- (10) A pharmacist.
- (11) A person working under the direction of any of the practitioners listed in subdivisions (1) through (10).

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-53

"Home state"

Sec. 53. (a) "Home state", for purposes of the Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction Law under IC 31-17-3, has the meaning set forth in IC 31-17-3-2.

(b) "Home state", for purposes of the Uniform Interstate Family Support Act under IC 31-18, has the meaning set forth in IC 31-18-1-5.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-54

"Identifying information"

Sec. 54. "Identifying information", for purposes of IC 31-19-9-6 and IC 31-19-17 through IC 31-19-25, means:

- (1) any name that a party to an adoption has used or is using;
- (2) any address that a party to an adoption has used or is using;
- (3) the original certificates of birth stored with the state department of health with evidence of adoption under IC 31-19-13-2; and
- (4) any other information, except the medical history, that may identify a person as a party to an adoption or as a birth parent, an adoptee, or an adoptive parent.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-55

"Includes"

Sec. 55. "Includes" means includes but is not limited to.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-56

"Income"

Sec. 56. "Income", for purposes of IC 31-16-15, IC 31-16-16, and the Uniform Interstate Family Support Act under IC 31-18, has the

meaning set forth in IC 31-18-1-6.
As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-57

"Income payor"

Sec. 57. "Income payor", for purposes of IC 31-16-15, IC 31-16-16, and the Uniform Interstate Family Support Act under IC 31-18, has the meaning set forth in IC 31-18-1-7.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-58

"Income withholding order"

Sec. 58. "Income withholding order", for purposes of the Uniform Interstate Family Support Act under IC 31-18, has the meaning set forth in IC-31-18-1-8.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-58.5

"Indicated"

Sec. 58.5. "Indicated", for purposes of IC 31-33-8-12, means facts obtained during an investigation of suspected child abuse or neglect that:

- (1) provide:
 - (A) significant indications that a child may be at risk for abuse or neglect; or
 - (B) evidence that abuse or neglect previously occurred; and
- (2) cannot be classified as substantiated or unsubstantiated.

As added by P.L.70-2004, SEC.11.

IC 31-9-2-59

"Initial decree"

Sec. 59. "Initial decree", for purposes of the Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction Law under IC 31-17-3, has the meaning set forth in IC 31-17-3-2.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-60

"Initiating state"

Sec. 60. "Initiating state", for purposes of the Uniform Interstate Family Support Act under IC 31-18, has the meaning set forth in IC 31-18-1-9.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-61

"Initiating tribunal"

Sec. 61. "Initiating tribunal", for purposes of the Uniform Interstate Family Support Act under IC 31-18, has the meaning set forth in IC 31-18-1-10.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-62**"Intake officer"**

Sec. 62. "Intake officer", for purposes of the juvenile law, means a probation officer or a caseworker who performs the intake, preliminary inquiry, or other functions specified by the juvenile court or by the juvenile law.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-63**"Intended biological parent"**

Sec. 63. "Intended biological parent", for purposes of sections 126 and 127 of this chapter, means a party to a surrogate agreement who:

- (1) agrees to be or is genetically related to a child borne by a surrogate; and
- (2) is not the surrogate's spouse.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-64**"Interested person"**

Sec. 64. "Interested person", for purposes of IC 31-19-20 and IC 31-19-24, means any of the following:

- (1) An adoptee.
- (2) A birth parent.
- (3) An adoptive parent.
- (4) A relative of a birth parent.
- (5) A relative of an adoptive parent.
- (6) The division of family and children or county office of family and children.
- (7) An adoption agency.
- (8) A court.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-65**"Issuing state"**

Sec. 65. "Issuing state", for purposes of the Uniform Interstate Family Support Act under IC 31-18, has the meaning set forth in IC 31-18-1-11.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-66**"Issuing tribunal"**

Sec. 66. "Issuing tribunal", for purposes of the Uniform Interstate Family Support Act under IC 31-18, has the meaning set forth in IC 31-18-1-12.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-67**"Joint legal custody"**

Sec. 67. "Joint legal custody", for purposes of IC 31-17-2-13, IC 31-17-2-14, and IC 31-17-2-15, means that the persons awarded

joint custody will share authority and responsibility for the major decisions concerning the child's upbringing, including the child's education, health care, and religious training.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-68

"Judge"

Sec. 68. "Judge", for purposes of the juvenile law, refers to the judge of the juvenile court.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-69

"Juvenile"

Sec. 69. "Juvenile", for purposes of the Interstate Compact on Juveniles under IC 31-37-23-1, has the meaning set forth in IC 31-37-23-1.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-70

"Juvenile court"

Sec. 70. "Juvenile court", for purposes of the juvenile law, refers to a court having juvenile jurisdiction.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-71

"Juvenile detention facility"

Sec. 71. "Juvenile detention facility", for purposes of the juvenile law, means a facility described in IC 31-31-8-2.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-72

"Juvenile law"

Sec. 72. "Juvenile law" refers to IC 31-30 through IC 31-40.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-73

"Law"

Sec. 73. "Law", for purposes of the Uniform Interstate Family Support Act under IC 31-18, has the meaning set forth in IC 31-18-1-13.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-74

"Law enforcement agency"

Sec. 74. "Law enforcement agency", for purposes of IC 31-36, means a governmental agency or department whose principal function is the apprehension of criminal offenders.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-75

"Legal settlement"

Sec. 75. "Legal settlement", for purposes of IC 31-34-20-5, IC 31-34-21-10, IC 31-37-19-26, and IC 31-37-20-6, has the meaning set forth in IC 20-8.1-1-7.1.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-76

"Legend drug"

Sec. 76. "Legend drug", for purposes of the juvenile law, has the meaning set forth in IC 16-18-2-199.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-76.5

"Long term foster parent"

Sec. 76.5. "Long term foster parent", for purposes of IC 31-34-21-4 and IC 31-34-21-4.5, has the meaning set forth in IC 31-34-21-4.6.

As added by P.L.152-2003, SEC.1. Amended by P.L.97-2004, SEC.106.

IC 31-9-2-77

"Maternal or paternal grandparent"

Sec. 77. "Maternal or paternal grandparent", for purposes of IC 31-17-5, includes:

- (1) the adoptive parent of the child's parent;
- (2) the parent of the child's adoptive parent; and
- (3) the parent of the child's parent.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-78

"Medical history"

Sec. 78. "Medical history", for purposes of IC 31-19-18 through IC 31-19-20, means:

- (1) a comprehensive report required by IC 31-19-2-7; and
- (2) any voluntary medical information transmitted to the state registrar under IC 31-19-18-3.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-79

"Medical information"

Sec. 79. "Medical information", for purposes of IC 31-19-18, IC 31-19-20, and IC 31-19-24, means any information that may affect the medical history of an adoptee.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-80

"Member agency"

Sec. 80. "Member agency", for purposes of IC 31-38, means:

- (1) a county office of family and children;
- (2) a school corporation (as defined in IC 20-5-1-3(a));

(3) a community mental health center (as defined in IC 12-7-2-38); or
(4) a managed care provider (as defined in IC 12-7-2-127(b));
that is represented on a local coordinating committee by a voting member.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-81

"Modification decree"

Sec. 81. "Modification decree", for purposes of the Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction Law under IC 31-17-3, has the meaning set forth in IC 31-17-3-2.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-82

"Neglected child" or "dependent child"

Sec. 82. "Neglected child" or "dependent child", for purposes of IC 31-37-23, has the meaning set forth in IC 31-37-23-5.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-83

"Noncustodial parent"

Sec. 83. "Noncustodial parent", for purposes of IC 31-14-13-10, IC 31-14-15, and IC 31-17-4, means the parent who is not the custodial parent.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-84

"Nonidentifying information"

Sec. 84. "Nonidentifying information", for purposes of IC 31-19-18, IC 31-19-21, IC 31-19-23, and IC 31-19-24, means any information, other than a medical history, that:

- (1) concerns an interested person to an adoption; and
- (2) does not identify a birth parent, an adoptive parent, or an adoptee.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-85

"Obligee" or "petitioner"

Sec. 85. (a) "Obligee", for purposes of IC 31-16-16, means a person who is entitled to receive a payment under a support order.

(b) "Obligee" or "petitioner", for purposes of the Uniform Interstate Family Support Act under IC 31-18, has the meaning set forth in IC 31-18-1-14.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-86

"Obligor" or "respondent"

Sec. 86. (a) "Obligor", for purposes of IC 31-16-15 and IC 31-16-16, means an individual who has been ordered by a court

to pay child support.

(b) "Obligor" or "respondent", for purposes of the Uniform Interstate Family Support Act under IC 31-18, has the meaning set forth in IC 31-18-1-15.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-87

"Omission"

Sec. 87. "Omission", for purposes of IC 31-34-1-2, means an occurrence in which the parent, guardian, or custodian allowed the child of the parent, guardian, or custodian to receive an injury that the parent, guardian, or custodian had a reasonable opportunity to prevent or mitigate.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-88

"Parent"

Sec. 88. "Parent", for purposes of the juvenile law, means a biological or an adoptive parent. Unless otherwise specified, the term includes both parents, regardless of their marital status.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-89

"Person"

Sec. 89. (a) "Person", for purposes of the juvenile law, means:

- (1) a human being;
- (2) a corporation;
- (3) a limited liability company;
- (4) a partnership;
- (5) an unincorporated association; or
- (6) a governmental entity.

(b) "Person", for purposes of section 44.5 of this chapter, means an adult or a minor.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1. Amended by P.L.133-2002, SEC.23.

IC 31-9-2-90

"Person acting as parent"

Sec. 90. "Person acting as parent", for purposes of the Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction Law under IC 31-17-3, has the meaning set forth in IC 31-17-3-2.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-91

"Petitioner" or "obligee"

Sec. 91. "Petitioner" or "obligee", for purposes of the Uniform Interstate Family Support Act under IC 31-18, has the meaning set forth in IC 31-18-1-14.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-92

"Physical custody"

Sec. 92. "Physical custody", for purposes of the Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction Law under IC 31-17-3, has the meaning set forth in IC 31-17-3-2.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-92.5

"Plan"

Sec. 92.5. (a) "Plan", for purposes of IC 31-34-24, has the meaning set forth in IC 31-34-24-1.

(b) "Plan", for purposes of IC 31-37-24, has the meaning set forth in IC 31-37-24-1.

As added by P.L.55-1997, SEC.11.

IC 31-9-2-93

"Pre-adoptive sibling"

Sec. 93. "Pre-adoptive sibling", for purposes of:

- (1) IC 31-19-18;
- (2) IC 31-19-16.5; and
- (3) IC 31-19-25;

means a sibling of an adoptee who is born before the date that the adoptee's adoption is finalized.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1. Amended by P.L.196-1997, SEC.3; P.L.2-1998, SEC.73.

IC 31-9-2-94

"Preliminary inquiry"

Sec. 94. "Preliminary inquiry", for purposes of IC 31-34 and IC 31-37, means an informal investigation into the facts and circumstances reported to the court.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1. Amended by P.L.197-1997, SEC.2; P.L.2-1998, SEC.74.

IC 31-9-2-95

"Premarital agreement"

Sec. 95. "Premarital agreement", for purposes of the Uniform Premarital Agreement Act under IC 31-11-3, has the meaning set forth in IC 31-11-3-2.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-96

"Prior family law and juvenile law"

Sec. 96. "Prior family law and juvenile law", for purposes of IC 31-10, refers to the statutes that are repealed or amended in the recodification act of the 1997 regular session of the general assembly as the statutes existed before the effective date of the applicable or corresponding provision of the recodification act of the 1997 regular session of the general assembly.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-97**"Probation or parole"**

Sec. 97. "Probation or parole", for purposes of the Interstate Compact on Juveniles under IC 31-37-23-1, has the meaning set forth in IC 31-37-23-1.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-98**"Property"**

Sec. 98. (a) "Property", for purposes of the Uniform Premarital Agreement Act under IC 31-11-3, has the meaning set forth in IC 31-11-3-3.

(b) "Property", for purposes of IC 31-15, IC 31-16, and IC 31-17, means all the assets of either party or both parties, including:

- (1) a present right to withdraw pension or retirement benefits;
- (2) the right to receive pension or retirement benefits that are not forfeited upon termination of employment or that are vested (as defined in Section 411 of the Internal Revenue Code) but that are payable after the dissolution of marriage; and
- (3) the right to receive disposable retired or retainer pay (as defined in 10 U.S.C. 1408(a)) acquired during the marriage that is or may be payable after the dissolution of marriage.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-99**"Prosecuting attorney"**

Sec. 99. "Prosecuting attorney", for purposes of the juvenile law, means the prosecuting attorney or the prosecuting attorney's deputy of the judicial circuit where the juvenile court is located.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-100**"Putative father"**

Sec. 100. "Putative father", for purposes of IC 31-19 and IC 31-35-1, means a male of any age who is alleged to be or claims that he may be a child's father but who:

- (1) is not presumed to be the child's father under IC 31-14-7-1(1) or IC 31-14-7-1(2); and
- (2) has not established paternity of the child:
 - (A) in a court proceeding; or
 - (B) by executing a paternity affidavit under IC 16-37-2-2.1; before the filing of an adoption petition.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1. Amended by P.L.200-1999, SEC.2.

IC 31-9-2-101**"Reason to believe"**

Sec. 101. "Reason to believe", for purposes of IC 31-33, means evidence that, if presented to individuals of similar background and training, would cause the individuals to believe that a child was abused or neglected.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-102

"Receiving state"

Sec. 102. "Receiving state", for purposes of the Interstate Compact on Juveniles under IC 31-37-23-1, has the meaning set forth in IC 31-37-23-1.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-103

"Referring agency"

Sec. 103. "Referring agency", for purposes of IC 31-38, means:

- (1) a juvenile court;
- (2) a court having civil jurisdiction;
- (3) a community mental health center or managed care provider (as defined in IC 12-7-2-127(b));
- (4) a county office of family and children; or
- (5) a school corporation;

that proposes to make a restrictive placement or recommend a restrictive placement to a person with the authority to make a restrictive placement.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-104

"Register"

Sec. 104. "Register", for purposes of the Uniform Interstate Family Support Act under IC 31-18, has the meaning set forth in IC 31-18-1-16.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-105

"Registering tribunal"

Sec. 105. "Registering tribunal", for purposes of the Uniform Interstate Family Support Act under IC 31-18, has the meaning set forth in IC 31-18-1-17.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-106

"Registry"

Sec. 106. (a) "Registry", for purposes of IC 31-19-5, refers to the putative father registry established by IC 31-19-5-2.

(b) "Registry", for purposes of IC 31-33, refers to the child abuse registry established by the division of family and children under IC 31-33-17.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-107

"Relative"

Sec. 107. "Relative", for purposes of IC 31-19-18, means:

- (1) an adoptive or whole blood related parent;

- (2) a sibling; or
- (3) a child.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-108

"Residence"

Sec. 108. "Residence", for purposes of the Interstate Compact on Juveniles under IC 31-37-23-1, has the meaning set forth in IC 31-37-23-1.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-109

"Residence state"

Sec. 109. "Residence state", for purposes of the Interstate Compact on Adoption Assistance under IC 31-19-29, has the meaning set forth in IC 31-19-29-2.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-110

"Respondent" or "obligor"

Sec. 110. "Respondent" or "obligor", for purposes of the Uniform Interstate Family Support Act under IC 31-18, has the meaning set forth in IC 31-18-1-15.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-111

"Responding state"

Sec. 111. "Responding state", for purposes of the Uniform Interstate Family Support Act under IC 31-18, has the meaning set forth in IC 31-18-1-18.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-112

"Responding tribunal"

Sec. 112. "Responding tribunal", for purposes of the Uniform Interstate Family Support Act under IC 31-18, has the meaning set forth in IC 31-18-1-19.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-113

"Restrictive placement"

Sec. 113. "Restrictive placement", for purposes of IC 31-38, means a residential placement of a child at a residence other than:

- (1) the home of the child's parent, grandparent, sibling, aunt, uncle, cousin, stepparent, or guardian; or
- (2) a residence that is:
 - (A) located in the child's county of residence; and
 - (B) maintained by a person as the person's home.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-113.5**"School"**

Sec. 113.5. "School", for purposes of IC 31-39-2-13.8, means a:

(1) public school (including a charter school as defined in IC 20-5.5-1-4); or

(2) non-public school (as defined in IC 20-10.1-1-3);

that must comply with the education records privacy provisions of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (20 U.S.C. 1232g) to be eligible to receive designated federal education funding.

As added by P.L.85-2004, SEC.50.

IC 31-9-2-114**"Secure facility"**

Sec. 114. "Secure facility", for purposes of the juvenile law, means a place of residence, other than a shelter care facility, that prohibits the departure of a child.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-115**"Secure private facility"**

Sec. 115. "Secure private facility", for purposes of the juvenile law, means the following:

(1) A facility that is licensed under IC 12-17-4 and IC 12-17.4 to operate as a secure private facility.

(2) A private facility that is licensed in another state to provide residential care and treatment to one (1) or more children in a secure facility other than a detention center, prison, jail, or similar correctional facility.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-116**"Sending state"**

Sec. 116. "Sending state", for purposes of the Interstate Compact on Juveniles under IC 31-37-23-1, has the meaning set forth in IC 31-37-23-1.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-117**"Shelter care facility"**

Sec. 117. "Shelter care facility", for purposes of the juvenile law, means a place of residence that:

(1) is licensed under the laws of any state; and

(2) is not locked to prevent a child's departure unless the administrator determines that locking is necessary to protect the child's health.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-118**"Spousal support order"**

Sec. 118. "Spousal support order", for purposes of the Uniform

Interstate Family Support Act under IC 31-18, has the meaning set forth in IC 31-18-1-20.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-119

"State"

Sec. 119. (a) "State", for purposes of the Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction Law under IC 31-17-3, has the meaning set forth in IC 31-17-3-2.

(b) "State", for purposes of the Uniform Interstate Family Support Act under IC 31-18, has the meaning set forth in IC 31-18-1-21.

(c) "State", for purposes of the Interstate Compact on Adoption Assistance under IC 31-19-29, has the meaning set forth in IC 31-19-29-2.

(d) "State", for purposes of the Interstate Compact on Juveniles under IC 31-37-23-1, has the meaning set forth in IC 31-37-23-1.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-120

"State department"

Sec. 120. "State department", for purposes of IC 31-19-5, refers to the state department of health.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-121

"State registrar"

Sec. 121. "State registrar", for purposes of IC 31-19-18 through IC 31-19-25, means the person who:

- (1) is in charge of the division of the state department of health that administers the system of vital records; and
- (2) has charge of the files and records pertaining to vital records.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-122

"Substantially similar law"

Sec. 122. "Substantially similar law", for purposes of the Uniform Interstate Family Support Act under IC 31-18, has the meaning set forth in IC 31-18-1-22.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-123

"Substantiated"

Sec. 123. "Substantiated", for purposes of IC 31-33, IC 31-34-8-4, and IC 31-37-9-5, means a determination regarding the status of a report made under IC 31-33 whenever facts obtained during an investigation of the report provide credible evidence that child abuse or neglect has occurred.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-124**"Support enforcement agency"**

Sec. 124. "Support enforcement agency", for purposes of the Uniform Interstate Family Support Act under IC 31-18, has the meaning set forth in IC 31-18-1-23.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-125**"Support order"**

Sec. 125. (a) "Support order", for purposes of IC 31-16-16, means any judgment, decree, or order of child support issued by a court, in Indiana or another state, that has jurisdiction over the support order. The term includes orders issued under IC 31-14 through IC 31-17.

(b) "Support order", for purposes of the Uniform Interstate Family Support Act under IC 31-18, has the meaning set forth in IC 31-18-1-24.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-126**"Surrogate"**

Sec. 126. "Surrogate", for purposes of IC 31-20, means a party to a surrogate agreement who agrees to bear or bears a child that is genetically related to:

- (1) the party who agrees to bear or bears the child and an intended biological parent;
- (2) an intended biological parent and a gamete donor who is not:
 - (A) an intended biological parent; and
 - (B) the spouse of the party who agrees to bear or bears the child; or
- (3) two (2) intended biological parents of the child.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-127**"Surrogate agreement"**

Sec. 127. "Surrogate agreement", for purposes of IC 31-20, means an agreement that is entered into before the birth of a child between a surrogate and one (1) or more parties and that is intended by the parties at the time that the agreement is made to induce the surrogate to relinquish care, custody, and control over the child at birth to any of the following:

- (1) An intended biological parent of the child.
- (2) An intended biological parent of the child and another person who is not:
 - (A) genetically related to the child; and
 - (B) the surrogate's spouse.
- (3) Two (2) intended biological parents of the child.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-128

"System"

Sec. 128. "System", for purposes of IC 31-33-20, refers to the automated child protection system.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-129

"Team"

Sec. 129. (a) "Team", for purposes of IC 31-33-3, refers to a community child protection team appointed under IC 31-33-3.

(b) "Team", for purposes of IC 31-34-24, has the meaning set forth in IC 31-34-24-2.

(c) "Team", for purposes of IC 31-37-24, has the meaning set forth in IC 31-37-24-2.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1. Amended by P.L.55-1997, SEC.12.

IC 31-9-2-130

"Title IV-D agency"

Sec. 130. "Title IV-D agency" means:

- (1) the child support bureau created within the division of family and children as the single state agency to administer the child support provisions of Title IV-D of the federal Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 651 through 669); or
- (2) a designated agent of the bureau described in subdivision (1).

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-131

"Tribunal"

Sec. 131. "Tribunal", for purposes of the Uniform Interstate Family Support Act under IC 31-18, has the meaning set forth in IC 31-18-1-25.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-132

"Unsubstantiated"

Sec. 132. "Unsubstantiated", for purposes of IC 31-33 and IC 31-39-8-4, means a determination regarding the status of a report made under IC 31-33 whenever facts obtained during an investigation of the report provide credible evidence that child abuse or neglect has not occurred.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-133

"Victim of child abuse or neglect"

Sec. 133. (a) "Victim of child abuse or neglect", for purposes of IC 31-32-11-1 and IC 31-33, refers to a child in need of services as described in:

- (1) IC 31-34-1-1 through IC 31-34-1-5;
- (2) IC 31-34-1-10; or
- (3) IC 31-34-1-11.

(b) The term does not include a child who is alleged to be a child in need of services if the child is alleged to be a victim of a sexual offense under IC 35-42-4-3 unless the alleged offense under IC 35-42-4-3 involves the fondling or touching of the buttocks, genitals, or female breasts.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.

IC 31-9-2-134

"Voluntary information"

Sec. 134. "Voluntary information", for purposes of IC 31-19-18, means the information transmitted to the state registrar as provided in IC 31-19-18-3.

As added by P.L.1-1997, SEC.1.